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April 13, 2006

Mr. Charles L. A. Terreni Chief Clerk and Administrator Public Service Commission of SC 100 Executive Center, Suite 100 Columbia, South Carolina 29210

Mr. C. Dukes Scott Executive Director Office of Regulatory Staff 1441 Main Street, Suite 300 Columbia, SC 29201

Re: SCE&G's April 2006 Adjustment to its Gas Cost Factor

Order No. 2005-653 and Order No. 2006-99

Dear Mr. Terreni and Mr. Scott:

By Order No. 2005-653, dated November 8, 2005, and Order No. 2006-99, dated February 14, 2006, the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the "Commission") authorized South Carolina Electric & Gas Company ("SCE&G" or the "Company") to adjust its cost of gas factor on a monthly basis according to the procedure and methodology outlined in Paragraph 6 of the Settlement Agreement which was incorporated into Order No. 2005-653. With certain limitations, SCE&G is authorized to make monthly adjustments in the cost of gas factor, so long as there is a material variance between the forecast on which the factors was set and the updated forecast of over- or under-collection for the current month. By letter dated February 6, 2006, SCE&G requested the Commission amend Order No. 2005-653 to allow it to implement cost-of-gas factors below the Firm Commodity Benchmark of \$1.14135 per therm while an under-collection remains. This request reflected the Company's desire to recognize recent reductions in the prices charged for natural gas supplies in the natural gas markets. The Commission approved the Company's request in Order No. 2006-99.

In accordance with the above-referenced orders, SCE&G hereby informs the Commission that it is prepared to pass through a commodity cost-of-gas factor below the Firm Commodity Benchmark of \$1.14135 and consistent with the cost-of-gas factor approved by the Commission in Order No. 2006-99. This cost of gas factor, provided below, will be implemented for the eighth billing cycle of April 2006. Attached to this letter is a revised forecast of the under-collection of gas costs for the period ending October 31, 2006.

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SCE&G hereby informs the Commission and the Office of Regulatory Staff that beginning with the eighth billing cycle of April 2006, SCE&G's cost of gas factor shall remain as follows:

<b>Customer Class</b>	Cost of Gas Factor				
Residential	\$1.22695				
Small General Service/	\$1.15184				
Medium General Service					
Large General Service	\$1.12789				

As required by the Settlement Agreement, the cost of gas factor set forth here will remain in effect for bills through the seventh billing cycle of May unless changed by an adjustment at that time.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Catherine D. Taylor/kms

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## SOUTH CAROLINA ELECTRIC AND GAS COMPANY OVER/UNDER COLLECTION

CUMULATIVE (OVER)UNDER COLLECTION (COL. 9)	£16 997 496	\$27,286,798	\$36,856,877	\$30,769,500	\$26,748,082	\$16,880,502	\$13.106.418	\$12.550.562	\$13.060.894	\$14.074.088	\$13.839.422	\$15,053,559	\$16,388,078
TOTAL MONTHLY (OVER)UNDER COLLECTION (COL. 8)	(2+8+7)	\$10,289,302	\$5,570,073	(\$6,087,377)	(\$4,024,418)	(\$9,867,580)	(\$3,774,084)	(\$555,855)	\$510.331	\$1,013,194	(\$234,666)	\$1,214,137	\$1,334,519
PRIOR MONTH ADJUSTMENTS (COL. 7)		98	\$183,996	\$32.347	\$320,474	80	.05	0\$	20	3 0\$	. 05	208	\$0
PEMAND OVER) UNDER COLLECTION (GOL. 6)		\$795,639	(\$725,330)	(\$11,948,334).	(\$1,376,136)	\$9,053	\$144,102	\$1,206,955	\$1,533,757	\$1,633,880	\$1,592,952	\$1,597,605	\$1,359,498
CONMODITY COLLECTION (COLLECTION (COL. 5)	( <b>X</b> )	\$9,493,663	\$2.996,596 \$7.114,821 \$10,111,417	(\$2,217,400) (\$1,953,990) (\$4,171,390)	(\$1,435,053) (\$1,530,703) (\$2,965,757)	(\$9,876,633)	(\$3,918,186)	(\$1,762,810)	(\$1,023,426)	(\$620,686)	(\$1,827,618)	(\$383,468)	(\$24,979)
FIRM SALES THERMS (COL. 4)		15,595,902	7,933,070 <u>22,699,531</u> 30,632,601	13,740,442 20,128,127 33,868,569	9,945,301 20,697,878 30,643,179	26,611,245	16,383,800	10,064,000	7,791,000	7,145,000	7,118,000	7,096,000	8,584,000
	(7-1)	\$0.608728	\$0.377735 \$0.313435	(\$0.161378) (\$0.097078)	(\$0.144295) (\$0.073955)	(\$0.371145)	(\$0.239150)	(\$0.175160)	(\$0.131360)	(\$0.086870)	(\$0.256760)	(\$0.054040)	(\$0.002910)
BILLING COMMODITY COST PER THERM (COL. 2)		\$1.14135	\$1.14135 \$1.20565	\$1.20565 \$1.14135	\$1.14135 \$1.07101	\$1.07101	\$1.07101	\$1.07101	\$1.07101	\$1.07101	\$1.07101	\$1.07101	\$1.07101
COMMODITY COST COMMODITY COST  PER THERM PER THERM (COL. 1) (COL. 2)	1	\$1.75007	\$1.51908 \$1.51908	\$1.04427 \$1.04427	\$0.99706 \$0.99706	\$0.69986	\$0.83186	\$0.89585	\$0.93965	\$0.98414	\$0.81425	\$1.01697	\$1.06810
_	BEGINNING BALANCE	Actual	Actual Actual	Actual Actual	Actual Actual	Actual	Projected	Projected	Projected	Projected	Projected	Projected	Projected